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Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 752 advances. The call is raised. Mr. Clerk, do you have any items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, Lobby Report for this week to be inserted in the Journal. Reference Report regarding confirmation or gubernatorial appointment, I should say. Senator Maurstad has amendments to (LB) 269 to be printed; Senator Chambers a series of amendments to LB 752 to be printed. (See pages 1796-1800 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Mr. Clerk, next matter, or additional matters for the record, if you still have.

CLERK: No, Mr. President, I'm prepared, thank you. Mr. President, (LB) 271, a bill introduced by Senator Coordsen. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 13 of this year, at that time was referred to the Revenue Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending by the Revenue Committee, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: There has been a request by Senator Chambers to invoke the rule, I forget the number, dealing with Rule 6, Section 3, I believe it is, to ask that the bill be read by section-by-section. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read LB 271 section-by-section.)

SENATOR WESELY PRESIDING

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We're ready now to open on LB 271. The Chair would recognize Senator Kristensen. There he is. Senator Kristensen, we'd ask you to open on LB 271.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. LB 271 deals with the taxation of motor vehicles. And as we begin this debate, I think it would be helpful to review how motor vehicles are taxed right now, and then the policies of why we need to change. The committee amendment, Senator Coordsen is going to introduced those, and they have the substance the meat of what is in there. Senator Vrtiska, I